

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
October 20, 2015

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairperson Benjamin öBennyö Bishop, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Hines Boyd and Eugene Hall. Also present were County Planning Attorney Scott Shirley, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

**ITEM 1: Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance**

1. Chairman Bishop led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

**ITEM 2: Public Annoucements, Presentations & Awards**

2. Dick Bailar, on behalf of the Economic Development Council, invited everyone to attend Gulf Coast Lumberø's grand re-opening.
3. Commissioner Barfield recognized Willie Ann Dickey of Big Bend Transit for her years of service and presented her with a proclamation.

**ITEM 3: Consent Agenda**

4. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried (4-0), the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda and the minutes of the October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Regular Session—was approved.**

**ITEM 4: Citizens Request & Input on Non-Agenda Items**

5. Citizen Bruce Ballister informed the Board of the potential for additional grant funding for areas with Brownfield designation. He requested a letter of support from the Board for the application for grant funding. It was the consensus of the Board to draft a letter of support.
6. Commissioner Hall requested an update on Lake Road paving, to which Clerk of Court Kirk Reams briefly commented on road improvements and upcoming projects in the Lake Road area. Reverend Hill requested help on widening Lake Road to help with bicycle traffic.

**ITEM 5: PUBLIC HEARING – LDC FINAL READING**

7. Attorney Scott Shirley gave a brief summary of the Land Development Code and stated this was the final reading. Citizen Larry McMillan inquired about the restriction of four non-running cars per deed, to which Attorney Shirley stated the current code allows four cars per parcel. Commissioner Barfield expressed concern about vegetation buffers and there was a brief discussion about buffers as well as the PUD. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Hall and carried 3 to 1 (Barfield opposed), the Board approved the LDC via Resolution No. 2015-102015-01.**

**ITEM 6: PUBLIC HEARING – LLOYD INTERCHANGE BROWNFIELD**

8. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams introduced this item and stated the presentation provided in the agenda packet was materially the same as the previous public hearing. He added that included this time was a resolution to move forward, which included a definition of Brownfield designation as well as the parcels identified via parcel number and a map. Commissioner Hall asked if the committee for Brownfield is a standing committee or just for this instance. Economic Development Director Julie Conley stated the committee could be an existing committee and that the Board could be re-appointed at any time. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated the committee would likely consist of interested parties and be site specific. Chairman Bishop inquired if all owners were in agreement, to which Mrs. Conley stated no owner had opted out. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board adopted Resolution No. 2015-102015-02 approving the Lloyd Interchange Brownfield District.**

**ITEM 7a: BOCC Top Legislative Priority**

9. Dick Bailar, on behalf of the Legislative Committee, stated that the EDC had removed their funding request for Project Game Changer at the I-10 interchange in Lloyd for the upcoming session. He stated that basic funding opportunities would be consistently pursued (road projects, historic preservation grants, etc.) and that the only other item was the potential renovation/expansion of the Health Department facility in Jefferson County. Chairman Bishop stated he was appreciative for all of the funding provided to the County and did not want to ask for too much. Mr. Bailar requested that Clerk of Court Kirk Reams prepare a letter on the county "keystone" letterhead with the health department listed as the Board's priority for the upcoming session.

**ITEM 7b: Annex Employee Parking Lot Low Bid Recommendation**

10. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams introduced this item and recommended low-bidder Capital Asphalt for the project for the amount of \$76,989. Mr. Reams stated there was a traffic ticket surcharge fund available to use for this project since the parking lot serves the Courthouse Annex. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board approved Capital Asphalt for this project.**

**ITEM 7c: Request for Stairs at Waukeelah River Park**

11. This item was tabled until the next Board meeting.

**ITEM 8: County Coordinator**

12. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated he would be bringing a recommendation for the new Library Director to the next meeting.

**ITEM 9: Commissioner Discussion Items**

13. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated Riley Palmer would be starting work on the "Building this week. He stated that, as previously discussed, the first phase would address structural issues and that there would be a workshop early next year to discuss potential uses for the building. Commissioner Boyd asked if this phase would address wood rot and other cosmetic issues, to which Clerk of Court Reams answered in the affirmative and also stated it would address roof leaks as well.
14. Commissioner Barfield stated she had provided comments on the US-90 resurfacing.
15. Commissioner Barfield provided an update on the CRTPA and stated that County Road 158 would be postponed one year, but that the second was approved as well.
16. Commissioner Hall stated that, while attending the JCMHS Homecoming Game, several citizens voiced criticism of county departments. He suggested an annual report be published to show accomplishments and progress for each county in the calendar or fiscal year.
17. Chairman Bishop stated he attended a regional landfill meeting the previous day and that Engineer Frank Darabi would be at a future meeting to give a presentation on the landfill and opportunities for the County.

**ITEM 9: Adjournment**

18. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
19. **On motion by Chairman Bishop, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried (4-0), the meeting was adjourned.**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

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Chairman